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MR. HULSE: Thank you, Mr. Lawson. I'm Jim Hulse. I'm the state chair of Common Cause Nevada, and my response, our response to the DEIS I will submit in some writing later. Much of it will be redundant at this point.

I would like to thank Miss Dixon for her very cogent presentation of information, and the most pertinent thing that she said of course is that Congress had set the parameters and the guidelines.

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Common Cause is very interested in process. But I would have to submit that the entire process is flawed by virtue of the kind of legislation under which the DOE has to operate. They are in a trap and we are in a trap because of the very bad legislation which brought us to this point.

And it seems almost impossible to come through the environmental impact process given the very bad option, the impossible option of no action and the unacceptable dangerous option of Yucca Mountain.

The most responsible thing perhaps would be for the DOE to take this evidence which is being presented back to Congress and say neither one of those will work.

Now there is a nuclear power industry which drives many of the decisions in Congress on this matter. That will have to be addressed at that point. But this is so badly flawed that that would seem to be the best option for all of us. Thank you.

